

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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NOTICE OF PERMANENT RATES

IN RE: **Petition of Bellsouth Telecommunications, Inc. to Convene a Contested Case to Establish "Permanent Prices" for Interconnection and Unbundled Network Elements**

DOCKET NO: **97-01262**

DATE: **March 7, 2001**

Section 251(c) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 requires state commissions to establish cost-based rates for interconnection and unbundled network elements. Pursuant to that mandate, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority"), at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference on December 19, 2000, established cost-based rates in Docket No. 97-01262, *In re Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to Convene a Contested Case to Establish "Permanent Prices" for Interconnection and Unbundled Network Elements*. The rates established are effective as of December 19, 2000.

The Authority memorialized these rates in its Final Order filed on February 23, 2001. Competing Local Exchange Carriers ("CLECs") may obtain a copy of this Order from the Authority's website, www.state.tn.us/tra (Docket No. 97-01262), or by contacting the Authority's Executive Secretary, K. David Waddell, at (615) 741-3191, extension 142.

As a CLEC, you are entitled to cost-based rates pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by order of the Authority. To obtain these rates, notify BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. in writing.

FOR THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary

cc: Parties of Record
Competing Local Exchange Carriers

Original Notice in Docket File